GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
LOK SABHA

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COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION IN DEVELOPMENT OF FORESTS
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) Whether the Government are encouraging community participation in protection and development of forests;

(b) If so, the details thereof;

(c) Whether any steps have been taken in this direction, particularly for the State of Orissa; and

(d) If so, the details thereof ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT & FORESTS (SHRI DILIP SINGH JU DEV)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Ministry of Environment & Forests is implementing the National Afforestation Programme (NAP) for regeneration and development of forests through two tier mechanism of Forest Development Agency (FDA) at the Forest Division level and the Joint Forest Management Committee (JFMCs) at the village level involving the community.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) 28 FDA projects covering 1138 JFMCs with a total project cost of Rs.60.65 crores have been sanctioned to Government of Orissa during 10th Five Year Plan. An amount of Rs.15.11 crores have been released till date.